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FORTY MORE COMPLETE FOREMEN'S COURSE

Forty more members of the Division of Maintenance and Equipment recently completed the 10-day Foremen's Academy course in maintenance supervision. This training, designed to improve supervisory capabilities, was given by the Division of Maintenance in conjunction with the Training Section of Personnel Division. The sessions were held at the Holiday Inn, West Long Branch, where the initial class of 40 foremen completed the course last December. The newest graduating class consisted of Joseph Adams, Angelo Amendola, John F. Boulden, George Constantine, Robert Engelhart, John T. Frosch, Samuel Garofola, Charles Hulse, Frank J. Kierepka, James A. Mahaney, Frank Manhart, Raymond J. Mikolajczyk, Allan Olson, Charles J. Reilly, Dorsey Schaible, Nicholas Tortello, Charles Tozer, Ernest Van Schoick, William Whalen, Stanley J. Worek, Frank J. Blanche, Fulton Bonner, Sr., Russell J. Cummiskey, Marvin Davis, Edward Flynn, Joseph Gant, Frank Grabon, Thomas Green, Francis Hoffman, Charles A. Lang, Stewart Long, John W. McKelvey, Dominick Mecca, John E. Meskill, Jr. John Natale, George Phifer, Norman Puls, John Schnee, Jr., Henry Smith, Jr. and Leonard Wood.

WE'RE NEAR GOAL IN SAVINGS BOND DRIVE

Department employees have responded enthusiastically to this year's U. S. Savings Bond Drive. As of June 1, the Department was within 23 enrollees of reaching its 65% enrollment goal, Paul DeHaas, campaign chairman, reported. Last year the Department chalked up a 43.75% participation. Meanwhile, Administration has become the fourth division to attain 100% enrollment. Al Mahan directed its drive. The other divisions with a perfect record and their drive leaders were: Aeronautics, Wendell Leach; Legal Services, Mary Neil; and Personnel, Jeff Bodholt. Other divisions which excelled were: Central Services, led by Hut Hughes, 98.75%; and Accounting and Auditing, Lena DeGeorge, 92.18%. The Department's largest division, Maintenance and Equipment, led by Charles Edson and George Keller, scored the greatest improvement over last year, jumping from 35 to 60%. All other drive chairmen cooperated fully and did a creditable job. They are: Frank Litty, Right-Of-Way; John Dempster, Research and Evaluation; Frank Chiarello, Design; David Majofsky, Local Government Aid; Bill Salb, Traffic Engineering; Bill Bramer, Construction; Bill George, Materials; Charles Brown and Linda Schienholz, Planning; and John Gutberlet, Public Transportation. "And we don't want to forget the lieutenants and solicitors who worked so diligently with Division Chairmen," Mr. DeHaas emphasized.

R-O-W MEN COMPLETE APPRAISAL COURSE

Twenty-four Right-Of-Way Division employees have completed a course in Real Estate Appraisal given by the American Institute of Real Estate Appraisers. The course is considered one of the foremost on the subject. Classes were held two hours weekly over a nine-week period and concluded with a nine-hour exam in the office of the Philadelphia Board of Realtors. Completing the course were: Thomas Eanes, John Walsh, Philip Taylor, Harry Skokos, Eli Serlenga, Frank Brooks, Geoffrey Rees, Dominic Botteri, Dennis Ducko, Edward Falcey, Esther Callahan, Leslie Slonim, Thomas Duffy, Irwin Avis, Larry Cox, William Buckley, John Maguire, Theodore Hyland, Adolph Stepowany, Louis Amico, Edward Nyzio, Lester Finkle, Fred Ely and Edward Denaci.

MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 4 HONORS RETIREES

Maintenance District 4 held its fourth annual dinner-dance for employees and their wives recently at the Circle Bar and Restaurant, Vineland. The following employees retiring this year were honored: Adam Carty, Joseph Gondolfo, Allen Hutton, Ignazio Molica, Ralph Patrone and Roland Sperbeck. Among the invited guests were Mrs. Thelma Parkinson Sharp, President of the State Civil Service Commission; James R. Schuyler, State Highway Engineer; Jack F. Andrews, Director of the Division of Maintenance and Materials, who presented service pins; and W. Eugene Beckner, Supervisor of the Bureau of Recruitment and Training, who served as master of ceremonies.

FIELD MEN TO GET NEW HEADGEAR

Department field personnel will be sporting colorful new headgear to add to safety and comfort next winter. A summer helmet also will be tested this summer to determine the feasibility of issuing it to men in the field.

Last winter John I. Gleekman, Department Safety Supervisor, as an experiment, issued a number of flame-orange colored, quilt-lined vinyl winter caps with attached ear flaps to field workers. Reports on the headgear were very favorable. The bright color is considered a very distinguishing safety feature for the wearer. The men also found they imparted warmth and comfort. As a result, 500 of the caps have been ordered and more will be purchased later to take care of all needs.

Mr. Gleekman reports that a pith-type helmet of the same flame-orange hue will be tested this summer. The helmet not only is expected to make field men more visible to motorists but to provide shade from the sun. It is also seen as protection from small flying objects. And if these prove as effective as the winter caps, they will be purchased for general distribution next summer, Mr. Gleekman said.